# TOWN OF GOSHEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

# MINUTES – Regular Meeting Town Hall Conference Room June 9, 2015

PRESENT: Robert P. Valentine, Dexter Kinsella

OTHERS: Allan Walker

EXCUSED: Steven M. Romano

Robert Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> that the minutes of the meeting of June 2, 2015, were approved as submitted. Voted unanimous.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: Dexter Kinsella questioned the amount of the bond to be held for the new tax collector. The amount of the bond for neighboring town varies. It was decided to give this issue further review pending information from the bonding companies.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the warrant and payroll of June 11, 2015, in the amount of \$33,633.62. It was noted that included in the payroll and warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$21,084.12 and the warrant in the amount of \$12,549.50 Voted unanimous.

## PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

### FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Drainage work is ongoing on Shelborne Drive. Bob and David Battista, Lenard Engineering, visited site on Shelborne Drive where drainage work needs to be done. Mr.Battista is designing the workscope for drainage incorporating the use of basins. It is the recommendation of Mr. Battista to move forward with this repair plan. This project will go out to bid; the TAR will be affected.

In reporting on the tax sale that took place on Thursday, June 4, 2015, in the Goshen Town Hall Conference Room, Bob noted that there were three (3) bidders in attendance. One bid on *Park Road* and two bid on *31 Winchester Road*. Property on *31 Winchester Road* sold for \$17,000. Both properties will transfer after a six month redemption period.

In discussions with outgoing Public Works Supervisor, Ed Perry, a list of projects in process and moving forward was created. Written guidelines for winter plowing and related seasonal projects is also being put together.

### <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>: NONE

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to add to the agenda item 8.a Appointment of Tax Collector. Voted unanimous.

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<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to appoint Rebecca Juchert-Derungs Tax Collector for the Town of Goshen. Ms. Juchert-Derungs will begin her duties on July 1, 2015 with her term expiring at the Board of Selectmen's regular meeting the first week following the November municipal elections, Tuesday, November 10, 2015. Voted unanimous.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to add to the agenda item 9. a. Tax Collector's Report – May 31, 2015. Voted unanimous.

The total collection rate per this date is \$101.66%. In reviewing the Tax Collector's Report, it was noted that the collection of taxes over 100% was due to diligence of the Tax Collector and conscious efforts over and above to keep the taxpayers informed, not only of due dates, but over- payments and related tax information.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to accept the Tax Collector's Report – May 31, 2015 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

A brief discussion took place on the questions to be used for the interview of candidates for the position of Public Works Supervisor.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was <u>VOTED</u> to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide